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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. **FORM PTO-1390** PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 108421-00029 (REV 5-93) DATE: December 17, 2001 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) U.S. APPLN. NO. **CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. 16 June 1999, 25 August 1999, 21 PCT/JP00/03959 16 June 2000 September 1999, 21 September 1999 TITLE OF INVENTION: RECLINING APPARATUS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US: Kakuji MIYATA, Akira SASAKI, Masaaki NONOMIYA, Toshikazu MINAGAWA This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. (THE BASIC FILING FEE IS ATTACHED) This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. This express request to begin national examination procedures [35 U.S.C. 371(f)] at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper demand for International Preliminary Amendment was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date. A copy of the International Application as filed [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). a. 🗌 has been transmitted by the International Bureau. b. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). ☐ A translation of the International Application into English [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)]. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]  $\boxtimes$ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). а. 🗌 have been transmitted by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c. 🗍 have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)]. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)]. ĩ Đ. 10. 

A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 [35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)]. Items 11 - 16 below concern other document(s) or information included: 11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment. 13. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 14. A substitute specification. 15. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. Other items or information: 🛛 PCT/RO/101 (in Japanese); International Application in Japanese; Official Gazette of Publication (Front 16. 🛛 Page Only); PCT/IPEA/416 (in Japanese); PCT/ISA/210 (in Japanese)



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17. A The following fees are submitted:  Basic National F [37 C.F.R. 1.492(a)(1)-(5)]:  Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO\$890.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO  (37 C.F.R. 1.482)				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date ☐ 37 C.F.R. 1.492(e)].				\$ 0.00	
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment [37 C.F.R. 1.21(h)]. The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 C.F.R. 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +				\$ 0.00	
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<ul> <li>a. ⊠ A check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.</li> <li>b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 01-2300 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fee.  A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</li> <li>c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.</li> <li>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive [37 C.F.R. 1.137(a) or (b)] must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</li> <li>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:  Arent Fox Kintner Plotkin &amp; Kahn 1050 C nn cticut Avenu , N.W.</li> <li>Suite 400</li> </ul>					
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